

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Gregg Koch on 30 June 2010.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the Claims:

In Claim 1, line 3, delete "and enclose".

In Claim 6, line 2, delete "and enclose".

In Claim 6, lines 6-7, delete "monitor the level of the pressure at the site of the body part being treated".

In Claim 6, line 6, after "and configured to", add --indicate whether a predetermined level of reduced pressure is achieved in the space between the cover and the site of the body part being treated beneath the cover--.

In Claim 14, line 3, delete "and enclose".

In Claim 78, line 2, delete "and enclose".

In Claim 93, line 4, delete "and enclose".

In Claim 93, line 8, delete "a level of".

In Claim 93, line 8, replace "reduced pressure beneath the cover" with --reduced pressure being applied beneath the cover--.

Add new Claim 101 as follows:

Claim 101. (New) The appliance of Claim 6, wherein at least some of the plurality of protrusions are configured to provide a visual indication of the level of

the pressure at the site of the body part being treated by at least partially deflecting.

Add new Claim 102 as follows:

Claim 102. (New) The appliance of Claim 14, wherein the pressure monitor is configured to indicate when a predetermined level of reduced pressure is achieved in the space between the cover and the wound.

Add new Claim 103 as follows:

Claim 103. (New) The appliance of Claim 93, wherein the pressure monitor is configured to be displaced downward when a predetermined level of reduced pressure is achieved beneath the cover.

2. Claims 1 and 6 are directed to an allowable product. Pursuant to the procedures set forth in MPEP § 821.04(B), claims 32-37 are hereby rejoined and fully examined for patentability under 37 CFR 1.104.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to LYNNE ANDERSON whose telephone number is (571)272-4932. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Tanya Zalukaeva can be reached on (571) 272-1115. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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